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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 RICHARD VELOZ, No. C-12-06309-WHA (DMR)

12 Plaintiff(s), **ORDER DENYING EX PARTE**
13 v. **DISCOVERY LETTER [DOCKET NO.**
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14 | PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC CO,

15 Defendant(s).

17 The court has received an ex parte discovery letter filed by Defendant Pacific Gas and
18 Electric Co. [Docket No. 47.] The letter is **DENIED** without prejudice. The parties are ordered to
19 meet and confer in a manner that complies with this court's standing order on discovery, *see* Docket
20 No. 36, which states that prior to filing a discovery letter,

21 The parties shall first meet and confer to try to resolve their disagreements. The meet and
22 confer session must be ***in person or by telephone***, and may not be conducted by letter, e-
mail, or fax. If disagreements remain, the parties shall file a joint letter no later than five
23 business days after the meet and confer session, unless otherwise directed by the court. **Lead**
trial counsel for both parties must sign the letter, which shall include an attestation that
24 the parties met and conferred in person or by telephone regarding all issues prior to filing the
letter. Going issue-by-issue, the joint letter shall describe each unresolved issue, summarize
25 each party's position with appropriate legal authority; and provide each party's final
proposed compromise before moving to the next issue. The joint letter shall not exceed ten
26 pages without leave of court. **Parties are expected to plan for and cooperate in preparing**
the joint letter so that each side has adequate time to address the arguments.

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1 If the parties continue to dispute the issues raised in Docket No. 47 after they meet and confer, they
2 shall file a joint discovery letter by **March 14, 2014**.

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4 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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